

State of South Dakota

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1178

Introduced by: Representatives Deadrick, Brunner, Cutler, Dreyer, Gibson, Juhnke, Kirkeby, Krebs, Lederman, Lucas, Novstrup (David), Peters, Sorenson, Street, Vanderlinde, and Vanneman and Senators Garnos, Abdallah, Bartling, Bradford, Jerstad, Maher, Merchant, Nesselhuf, and Peterson

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to require the Department of Education to administer a pilot
2 program for the purpose of increasing graduation rates among at-risk minority students, and
3 to make an appropriation therefor.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

5 Section 1. The Department of Education shall administer a pilot program for the purpose of
6 increasing graduation rates among at-risk minority students. The program shall be conducted
7 in at least three, but not more than five school districts in the state. The secretary of education
8 shall select the participating school districts from among qualified school districts that submit
9 an application. A qualified school district is a school district with a fall enrollment of between
10 three hundred and five thousand students and a minority student population of thirty-three
11 percent or greater.

12 Section 2. The secretary of education may promulgate rules pursuant to chapter 1-26 to
13 establish pilot program timelines, the process by which qualified school districts may apply, the
14 criteria used to select participating school districts, and the criteria used to evaluate pilot



1 program outcomes.

2 Section 3. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of one dollar (\$1),
3 or so much thereof as may be necessary, to the Department of Education to support the pilot
4 program conducted pursuant to section 1 of this Act.

5 Section 4. The secretary of education shall approve vouchers and the state auditor shall draw
6 warrants to pay expenditures authorized by this Act.

7 Section 5. Any amounts appropriated in this Act not lawfully expended or obligated by
8 June 30, 2010, shall revert in accordance with the procedures prescribed in chapter 4-8.